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SUBJECT: ROMANIAN DELEGATION MEETS WITH BURUNDI LEADERS

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1. ROMANIAN DELEGATION TO FESTIVITIES COMMEMORATING SEVENTH ANNIVERSARY OF ACCESSION TO POWER BY PRESIDENT HAVE BEGUN SECOND WEEK OF BURUNDI VISIT.

2. LEB BY ROMANIAN VICE MINISTER OF GEOLOGY, PETROLEUM AND MINES GEORGES BERNARD (PHONETIC), DELEGATION REPRESENTED ONLY NON-AFRICAN COUNTRY WHICH PARTICIPATED IN CEREMONIES. DELEGATION SINCE REPORTED TO HAVE HAD SERIES OF MEETINGS WITH GRB MINISTRY OFFICIALS.

3. CONVERSATIONS WITH GRB MINECON BARAKAMFITIYE FOCUSED ON BILATERAL COOPERATION IN FIELD OF MINING (SEE REFTEL FOR DETAILS OF RECENT NICKEL DISCOVERY BY UNDP) WHICH COULD, ACCORDING MEDIA REPORTS OF UNKNOWN RELIABILITY, INCLUDE TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE (ROMANIAN MINING EXPERTS),
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MINERALOGICAL TRAINING FOR BURUNDI NATIONALS IN ROMANIA,

COOPERATION IN EXPLOITATION OF BURUNDI'S NICKEL DEPOSIT (DELEGATION HAS VISITED DISCOVERY SITE), AND RESEARCH OF ITS PETROLEUM POSSIBILITIES, AS WELL AS /COMMERCIAL COOPERATION." DISCUSSIONS ALSO HELD WITH MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE. MIXED BURUNDI-ROMANIAN COMMISSION REPORTEDLY TO MEET IN JANUARY FOR FURTHER DISCUSSIONS.

4. DELEGATION HEAD ALSO SAID TO HAVE PROMISED UPRONA (GRB SINGLE PARTY) NATIONAL EXECUTIVE SECRETARY BIZINDAVYI ROMANIAN ASSISTANCE IN TRAINING OF PARTY CADRES IN IDEOLOGICAL, ECONOMIC AND JOURNALISTIC FIELDS. BIZINDAVYI'S RESPONSE INDICATES SOME LACK OF ENTHUSIASM ABOUT JUMPING INTO THIS EMBRACE BUT APPARENTLY DID NOT CLOSE DOOR.
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